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Cyber Threat
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of instances of cyber-warfare / breach recorded on India's defence systems during the last three years;

(b) whether the defence establishments in India have an exclusive secured network, separate from civil and public networks in view of cyber threat;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor along with the mechanism put in place to ensure safety of India's defence system from cyber threats?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI MANOHAR PARRIKAR)

(a) There has been no report or instance of any cyber breach of secured networks of the Armed Forces over the past three years. However, there have been some instances of cyber attacks of internet connected computers of other establishments under Ministry of Defence.

(b) to (d): The Armed Forces have air gapped and exclusive secure networks. These are separated from civil and public networks. Management of these exclusive networks including ensuring cyber security, is carried out by the respective Armed Forces.
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